



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE, IMMUNITIES AND INSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

SECRETARIAT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Synopsis

29 January 2010

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs, meeting in Strasbourg on 26 and 28 January 2010 with first Mr Greenway (United Kingdom, EDG), oldest member present, and then Mr Haibach (Germany, EPP/CD) and Mr Vareikis (Lithuania, EPP/CD) in the Chair, as regards:

- **Composition of the Bureau of the Committee:**

- . Mr Holger Haibach (Germany, EPP/CD) Chairperson,
- . Mr Paul Rowen (United Kingdom, ALDE) 1st Vice-Chairperson,
- . Mr Egidijus Vareikis (Lithuania, EPP/CD) 2nd Vice-Chairperson,
- . Mr Indrek Saar (Estonia, SOC) 3rd Vice-Chairperson ;

- **Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Albania:**

- . held an exchange of views with Mr Rusmali (EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Albanian parliamentary delegation,
- . considered a draft report and adopted an opinion to the President of the Parliamentary Assembly, concluding that the credentials of the Albanian parliamentary delegation shall be ratified, in accordance with Rule 7.2 of the Rules of the Assembly;

- **Challenge on procedural grounds of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Armenia:**

- . held an exchange of views with Mr Harutyunyan (GDE), Chairperson of the Armenian parliamentary delegation,
- . considered a draft report and adopted an opinion to the President of the Parliamentary Assembly, concluding that the credentials of the Albanian parliamentary delegation shall be ratified, in accordance with Rule 7.2 of the Rules of the Assembly;

- **Draft joint interpretative statement (Committee of Ministers – Parliamentary Assembly) on rules and procedures for future elections of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe [Follow-up to Resolution 1665 (2009)]:** subject to a Bureau decision, appointed Mr Greenway (United Kingdom, EDG) rapporteur, approved a report, unanimously adopted a draft resolution, and asked the rapporteur to present them at the next Standing Committee meeting (Paris, 12 March 2010) ;

- **A minimum of 30% of each sex in Assembly national delegations (rapporteur: Mr Greenway, United Kingdom, EDG):** considered a revised information memorandum and asked the rapporteur to prepare a draft report for consideration at a forthcoming meeting;

- **Term of office of co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee (rapporteur for opinion: Mr Kumcuoğlu, Turkey, EDG):** considered a report of the Monitoring Committee, approved an opinion and five

amendments to the draft resolution, and asked the rapporteur to present them at the next meeting of the Standing Committee (Paris, 12 March 2010);

- **Promotion of texts adopted by the Parliamentary Assembly** : considered a revised information memorandum prepared by the Committee Chairperson, had an exchange of views and decided to resume consideration of the issue at a forthcoming meeting;

- **An obligatory criterion for the selection procedure of Parliamentary Assembly's presidential candidates**: considered a motion for a resolution presented by Mrs Postanjyan and others, which the Bureau forwarded to the committee for consultation on the follow-up to be given, had an exchange of views and decided to postpone its decision to the next meeting;

- **Next meeting**:

. in Strasbourg, during the Assembly 2nd part-session (26 – 30 April 2010).

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